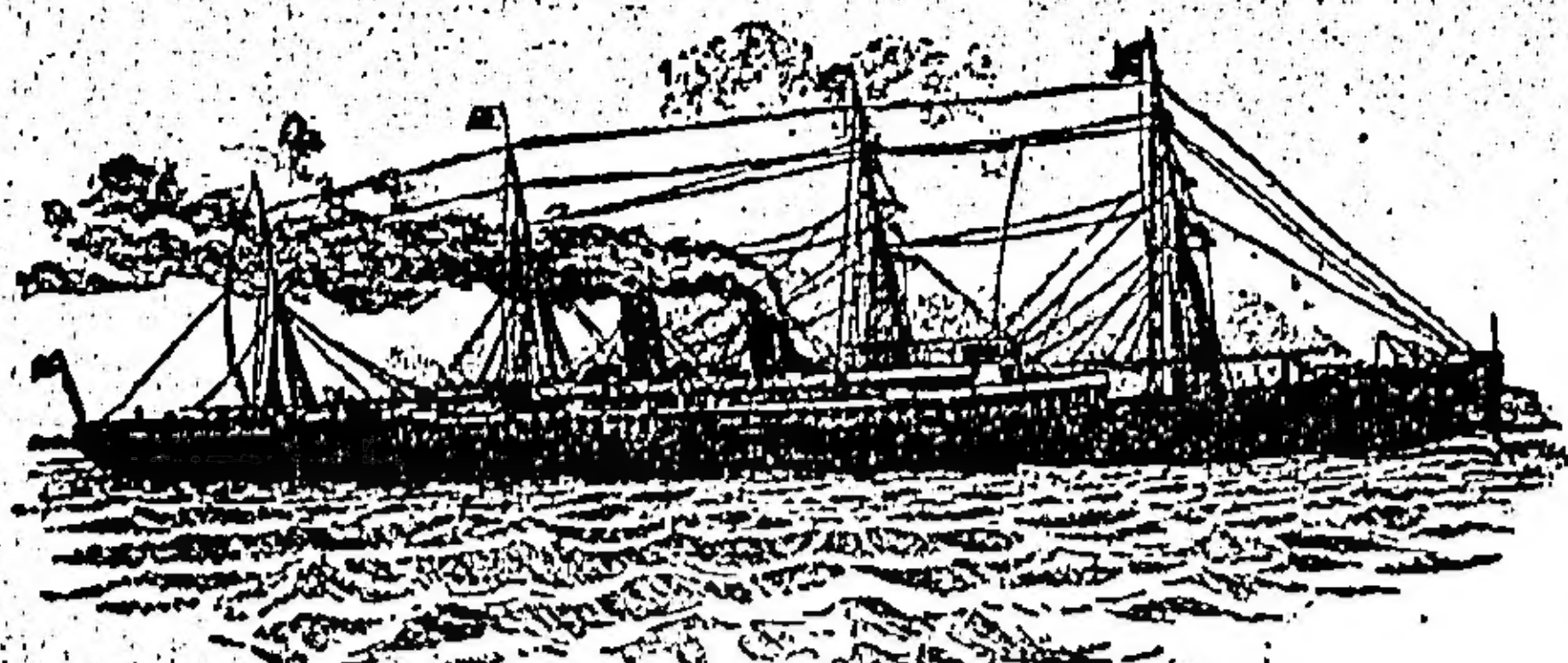


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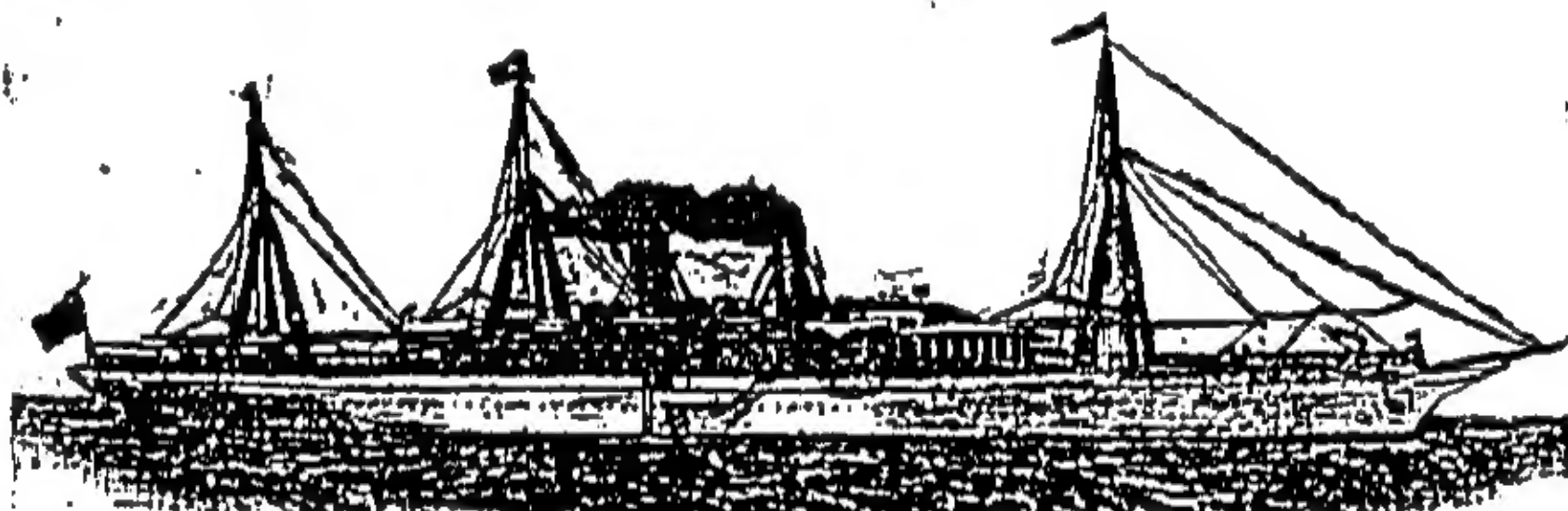
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S Office, No. 4, Des Voeux Road Central, on FRIDAY, the 12th instant, at 12 o'clock, NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Manager, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 8th, to FRIDAY, the 12th instant, both Days inclusive.

ELLIS KADOORIE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 5th September, 1902. [933d]

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FRANK W. WHITE,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th September, 1902. [939d]

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TIENTSIN NATIVE BANKS.

The Viceroy, ably represented by Mr. Tong, the Customs Taoai, has taken a vigorous and practical step in regard to the native banks and their drafts. At the recent meeting between the Taoai and the foreign bankers, when the native banks were unrepresented through their own fault, Mr. Tong proposed a plan by which the native banks are to redeem at a specified date the floating securities which have given so much trouble and hampered commercial transactions in Tientsin. The effect of the issue of so much paper money of uncertain value by the native banks is to be seen in the Customs returns. The export of sycee from Tientsin to Shanghai has this year reached the enormous total of Tls. 8,776,474 up to August 26, as against Tls. 2,519,400 in the same period last year, and Tls. 3,997,280 for the whole of last year. The difference between the 23 lakhs of last year and the 87 lakhs of this year represents, we may infer, the fall in Tientsin's credit at Shanghai, the Shanghai merchants being unwilling to deal except on terms of cash. The sycee is wanted at Tientsin; it is not wanted at Shanghai, which is already overburdened with silver, and is compelled to re-export it to India. The enormous export of sycee from Tientsin is best appreciated when it is borne in mind, as shown in the I.M.C. Returns of Trade, that so recently as in 1899, China's export of silver for the year amounted only to H.K. Tls. 5,779,000, this including not only Shanghai but the whole of the ports. The measure taken by Mr. Tong, no doubt at the instance of the Viceroy, is calculated to retard the impoverishment of Tientsin and relieve Shanghai of some of its surplus of silver, by re-establishing the credit of the Tientsin native banks, even if it be at the cost of straining the resources of some of them.—China Times.

THE CHENCHOW MURDER.

The *Universal Gazette* contains the following account concerning the Chenchow murder:—The British Consul at Hankow on hearing the sad news of the murder of two British missionaries at Chenchow despatched a gun-boat to the scene of disturbance to investigate the matter when he received a telegram from H.E. Yu Lien-san, Governor of Hunan, saying that he had captured ten of the chief criminals concerned in the murder and had memorialised the Throne that the Prefect and District Magistrate in whose jurisdiction the outrage was perpetrated should be degraded and cashiered at once and had ordered the Taoai of the Chenchow Intendency to proceed to Chenchow to investigate the case, and therefore requested that the gun-boat which the Consul had sent off should be recalled.

UNREST AT CHENGCHOW.
The situation here continues to cause our community uneasiness, writes a correspondent to the *Shanghai Mercury*. The Foreign Office have asked us, if the worst comes, to take refuge in the Imperial City. This shows the seriousness of the situation. A French priest who has just escaped into the city with some of his converts estimates the number of Catholics murdered around and about at from 600 to 1,000. He said his place was strongly fortified, had 300 lbs. of powder, cannon, etc., but all forsook him but 15 and so he had to flee here. The Viceroy.

CANNOT SPARE MORE SOLDIERS
from the city, we hear, and quite believe it. Several Roman Catholic places have been destroyed. A colporteur of the B. and F.B.S.—an old man—has been murdered not 100 li from here. The whole country round is in a ferment. It has been considered advisable for some from out-lying stations to come in. One family has come; others are hesitating. There is no doubt matters are serious and may at any time become dangerously so—especially when we consider that from 12,000 students will be here for the M. A. Examination next month, with all their followers, chair men and coolies. Meanwhile we can but await developments.

THE SINGAPORE WATER FAMINE.

CHINESE DEPUTATION CALLS ON THE MUNICIPAL PRESIDENT.

On the 1st inst. about sixteen of the leading gentlemen of the Chinese community at Singapore among whom were Messrs. Jiat Kim, Leang Seab, Cheng Yau, and others waited upon the president of the municipality for the purpose of impressing upon him the great inconvenience caused in the poor by reason of the scarcity of water. The deputation was received very courteously by the president who promised to do his best to comply with the suggestions advanced.

The *Strait Times* reports that the first suggestion put forward was that the number of stand pipes in the congested districts be increased so that every person going for water may have a chance of filling his tub before the mains are closed. The next suggestion was that, in addition to the morning and evening supply, the mains should be opened from noon till one p.m.

The question of the closing of the wells was touched upon, and the deputation made a strong point of the fact that building operations are largely retarded owing to want of water which the closed wells would have supplied. It is perhaps not generally known that the school going population are not the least sufferers from the drought. Should it continue, each pupil will henceforth have to carry his supply of drinking water to school with him.

Another point touched upon was the amount of water that the Tanjong Pagar Dock and the other suppliers of water to ships are allowed to purchase at a reduced rate when the people of the town are suffering from drought. It is alleged that these concerns pay 6 cents per ton for water, which is re-sold at \$1 per ton, and that they take away 7,000,000 or 8,000,000 per month in that manner. This, it was contended, should not be permitted under the present circumstances.

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BOW TIES.

FAILURE OF TREASURE HUNT.

LAST TRIP TO COCOS ISLAND YIELDED NOTHING.

The elaborately outfitted expedition which set sail from Victoria early in January on the brigantine *Blakeley* to search for the mythical treasure of Cocos Island, has just returned like other expeditions which have visited the island, without having seen a glimpse of treasure of any kind. The expedition was an utter failure.

The instruments which were to locate the supposed buried treasure failed in all except giving the members a lot of work digging in different parts of the island. Captains Hackett and Whidden, commander and mate of the brigantine, who have the maps said to have been drawn by a Nova Scotian miner, who is said to have buried some treasure there, are disgusted with the goldfinding instruments, which Justin Gilbert, former court stenographer of Victoria and Enyeart, a prospector, took down on the vessel.

The *Blakeley* was 101 days reaching the island from Victoria, getting a taste of the heavy weather which prevailed at that time, arriving at the island on April 17.

After a day's reconnoitering the instruments were brought out and the men started work at a place to which they pointed. After sinking a shaft twenty feet another trial was made with the so-called gold finder, and it pointed in another direction. In fact, every time it was brought out it pointed in a different direction. Finally, getting disgusted with it, Captains Whidden and Hackett decided to test it with some gold coin, and then a search for the treasure was made independent of the instrument. Holes were sunk where the crew of his majesty's ship *Imperieuse* and the schooner *Aurora* had searched, without any better result.

Provisions getting bad, it was determined to make a start for home, and, after loading with coral and turtle shells, the vessel was turned northward. This was on May 11, only twenty-four days having been spent on the island. Captains Whidden and Hackett still believe the treasure is there, but have no confidence in the instruments of Messrs. Gilbert and Enyeart.

There is likely to be some trouble before the business of the expedition is settled. The head man of the company, H. H. Jones, is charged by the captains with having acted in his own behalf, and not in the interest of the other members of the company. The captain left behind some 300 shares in the company which were to have been sold for them. After they left Jones is alleged to have made the statement that their shares were valueless, and that prevented the sale of them. He, on the other hand, is alleged to have disposed of all the shares he had in the company.

THE MORAL EFFECTS OF A BRITISH GUNBOAT.

THE RECENT MASSACRE.

It is reported from Hankow that when it became known in Changsha, the capital of Hunan, that a British gunboat, with British Consular officials on board, was on its way to Chenchow, the scene of the recent massacre of British missionaries, the Governor of the province, the notorious Conservative, Yu Lien-san (who is well-known amongst Chinese as one of the favourite protégés of the notorious ex-Prince Tuan and Kang Yi) became so apprehensive of approaching calamities at the hands of the "Western Barbarians" on his precious carcass, that he sent profuse apologies and an abject appeal to the British Consul at Hankow begging that the gunboat should not be allowed to proceed to Chenchow, declaring that as he had already captured ten men alleged to have been implicated in the massacre of Messrs. Bruce and Lewis, and in the destruction of their chapel, and had denounced to the Throne the prefect and district magistrate of Chenchow, requesting that they may be cashiered and dismissed the service for negligence and

INABILITY TO PROTECT THE MISSIONARIES of Chenchow, this ought to satisfy the British Government, which should allow the Chinese Government, which should allow the Chinese to deal with the matter themselves, especially as the Taoai of the Chenchow Intendency had been already sent to the spot to investigate matters and restore order. Of course, the usual stereotyped phrases of the hostility of the natives of Hunan living on the route of the progress of the British gunboat and the apprehensions that the invasion of a foreign man-of-war into the interior would rouse the whole province, and like excuses dear to the heart of the ordinary mandarin, had their place in Governor Yu Lien-san's appeal; but his

CHAGRIN AND TERROR must have been great when he learnt that before his appeal has got to the hands of the British authorities at Hankow the British gunboat was already half-way on her road to Chenchow. Taken on the whole, Governor Yu Lien-san's anti-foreignism and conservatism are well-known to his compatriots throughout the whole of China, and it is strange that he was not made to suffer like his brother Boxers—some of whom were not so active as himself in the propaganda in 1900—but was allowed to retain his Governorship of Hunan. Had foreigners not been misled by the glamour of the "cordial reception" given to them in 1901 by the time-serving Mandarins of Hunan, from Governor Yu Lien-san downwards, the massacre of Chenchow would never have happened. For from private letters received from Chenchow relatives by certain Hunanese officials residing in Shanghai, the attack on the clerks of the Imperial Chinese Post was only an excuse to cover the deeper design of driving foreigners out of that part of Hunan.

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DEATH.
On the 31st of July at 76, Rue de la Tour, Paris, ELEANOR MARV, wife of George A. Raper, formerly of Shanghai, aged 41 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 10, 1902.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Far Eastern Market.

The remarks of Sir HENRY BLAKE on the opportunities existing in the Far East for Canadian exporters appear to have carried considerable weight among Vancouver merchants seeking to enter the Chinese market. When interviewed in Vancouver, His Excellency is reported to have said that he looked forward to an increasing commerce between Canada and the Far East, and, as the natural distributing point for the traffic, predicted a great future for that city. He pointed out the enormous market there was for flour in China and suggested Canadian millers might contribute to the supply. As one paper observes, "This suggestion has been made so many times before and has been so often backed up by the newspapers that readers may feel rather tired of the subject. A short time since attention was drawn to the fact that Sound merchants, instead of waiting for the Far Eastern market to come to them, in other lines than flour were taking steps to go to it and force their trade upon it. That is the way to succeed." This appears to have been commenced; for a representative of an important Canadian firm has recently returned to Toronto from an extended trip to the Orient, where he gained a considerable insight into the opportunities existing in these parts for Canadian exporters. He has made a report on his visit and, with regard to Hongkong, where he found building operations were being extensively carried on, naively concluded that there is an active demand for structural steel and other building material that could be supplied by Canada. If a steel plant was in operation on the Pacific coast, to use a hackneyed expression, he knew a thing or two. In his opinion, however, the finest field for Canadian products was to be found around the Colony and the adjacent cities in China, where the best development that could be attempted was undoubtedly the flour market, with which Sir HENRY BLAKE is greatly impressed. It is well known that enormous quantities of flour are consumed annually by the Orientals, and a local agent for an American importer has recently stated that he sold seven million pounds of flour last year. This shows the magnitude of the trade, although, according to all accounts, the wheat used by the Pacific coast manufacturers is of a soft variety against which the Canadian product cannot compete. Canadian flour is recognised as a superior article, and when the difference is better understood it ought to crowd out some of the cheaper stuff which is finding its way to a few of our local merchants. "This soft wheat flour will not make good bread," says one authority, "and the best evidence of the truth of this statement is that you can't buy good bread in Hongkong." Where the said merchant obtained his bread is not stated, but judging from our experience the fault does not lie so much with the flour as with the cinders baked with it. But it must not be forgotten that there are other things which the Orient could take from Canada besides flour. A Vancouver journal states that there is timber, coal, condensed milk, lead and tin imported, and an unlimited demand for silver, principally supplied from San Francisco. The foreign supplies to the large number of foreigners resident in Hongkong and in the various treaty ports creates a demand for all kinds of articles such as salmon and canned fruits, butter and cheese, which is now almost wholly supplied from old world sources. Generally speaking, the average citizen is not very particular where he obtains his supplies so long as the quality is good and the price reasonable. The greater, the competition the merrier the market.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE FALLEN CAMPANILE.—The Builder writes—Whatever its historical interest and association, the Campanile was architecturally a crude and clumsy design.

RENEWED OUTBREAK AT JEHOL.—It is reported the surrendered insurgents of Chaoyang, Jehol, have again raised the standard of rebellion. The visit of Ma Yu-kun to Peking is believed to be connected with the renewed outbreak.

CHINESE IN AMERICAN TRADE.—A paper reports that some of the Chinese merchants settled in San Francisco have recently raised a capital of \$1,000,000 for starting a new company there, which is said to be for the purpose of sending American goods to China.

COTTON MILL.—It is reported from Hankow that the Government Cotton Mill has been leased to a Cantonese merchant named Hui Chih Chen who will restart it on the fifteenth day of the eighth Moon. With reference to the silk flature, the matter has not been decided.

RIOTERS DISPERSED IN LIENCHOW.—A capture has been made of nine ringleaders of the recent rioters in Lienchow. As soon as the leaders were captured, the rest, who are disbanded soldiers, handed over their arms and ammunition to the attacking troops and dispersed. Those captured are now in prison awaiting punishment.

ASK for ASAHI JAPANESE BEER—G. Girault.

SWORD STICKS NOT WANTED.—A Japanese, who yesterday arrived in the Colony, was arrested for having in his possession a sword stick. He pleaded a new arrival's ignorance and was let off with the forfeiture of the weapon.

OUR LATE QUEEN.—Up to the present £45,000 has been subscribed to the Woman's Memorial to Queen Victoria by over 2,500,000 people in England, Wales and the Colonies. Ireland has contributed £5,887 and Scotland £5,277.

COMMUNICATION WITH THE NORTH.—The Foochow-Shanghai cable was restored yesterday evening. The Japanese Government lines are now in good working order. All telegrams have gone forward and there is no further delay.

THE "HUMAN" OUTRAGE.—Slips will occur no matter how vigilant the eye of the "reader." A journal just to hand publishes a telegram on the "Human" outrage reporting the massacre of the missionaries in the Province of Hunan.

CAPTAIN MARTIN PETERSEN, the skipper of the *Gura* who arrived at Bangkok on the 1st inst., makes probably his last trip to Siam for some time to come. Captain Petersen has been appointed to the command of a steamer belonging to Hongkong and trading in Chinese waters. He expects to assume duty in his new post when he returns to Singapore. Captain Petersen will have the best wishes of his numerous friends in Bangkok on his new appointment, remarks the *Rangoon Times*.

STOLEN PROPERTY RECOVERED by a Lynx Eye. Before leaving for England with the Volunteer Coronation Contingent Gunner L. A. Rose of the Field Battery reported to the police that on the night of 11th May last, his gold watch chain and trinkets were either lost or stolen. On Saturday while Detective Sergeant Sullivan was visiting a pawnshop at Vauxhall he discovered the timekeeper, which bears a strong resemblance to the missing trinket. They were pledged by a Chinaman for £1.

THE WEST POINT FIRE. As mentioned in our yesterday's issue a fire broke out at No. 26, High Street, West Point, of which we are now in a position to give particulars regarding its origin. It appears that the people of the first floor went out to make purchases and left a child, 6 years old, playing on a bed. A box of matches was within its reach and it accidentally ignited the bed curtain which set fire to the whole premises. The ground floor was occupied by a wicker maker and the first and second floors as family residences.

FIFTH NAVAL STATION. There is as yet apparently no central naval station for Hokkaido and the northern extremity of the main island of Japan. By an Imperial Ordinance promulgated about ten years ago Muroran was selected by the Admiralty for the station, a station which is of no small importance by reason of its closeness to the Russian coast; but Muroran has been since discovered to be, for various reasons, unsuited for the purpose. At present the port of Ominato, situated close to Aomori, has got a torpedo corps, so that it looks as if Ominato had taken the place of Muroran as the 5th Admiralty.

TIENSIN LADY'S COURAGE.—A well-known lady in Tientsin has had the courage to introduce a novelty in vehicles which will rouse the envy of all her feminine friends, writes "Diarist" in the *China Times*. It may best be described, perhaps, as a bicycle-like. The riksha portion is of wicker, shaped like a lounge chair, mounted on thick-tired bicycle wheels. Attached to this easy and comfortable seat is a bicycle which the riksha coolie rides, propelling it at a considerably greater speed than the ordinary carriage. It was graceful in appearance, and obviously easy for the ladies, while the effort of working the bicycle must have been child's play to the ex-riksha coolie.

LATE NEWS.—Perhaps the last white men in the whole world to hear of the death of Queen Victoria were, according to their own estimate, Major Austin and his companions, who journeyed through the Sudan to Mombasa via Lake Rudolf. After a most thrilling succession of privations and dangers, says the *Scots Geographical Magazine*, Major Austin reached Lake Baringo on August 2nd, having been cut off from all communication with the civilized world since January 14th, and only then—seven months after the event—learned that the Queen was dead. The horrors through which he passed may be inferred from the fact that he arrived with only fourteen out of his fifty-nine Sudanese escort.

CHINA NOW USED TO MAKE

VIOLINS.—The latest invention in the domain of ceramics is that manufacture of violins and mandolins from porcelain. A well-known manufacturer of the Meissen ocarinas and porcelain organs has invented a process for the manufacture of violins and mandolins from clay. Some violins have already been completed, and the inventor has applied for letters patent for the same in different countries. Under this process the violins are cast, and every violin is guaranteed a success and to be excellent for producing music. The latter quality constitutes precisely the chief value of this invention. The porcelain body, it is claimed, is better able to produce sound than a wooden one, since it co-operates in the production of sound, making the notes soft and full. *Cincinnati Enquirer*.

ASK for ASAHI JAPANESE BEER—G. Girault.

SINGAPORE GENERAL HOSPITAL.—In the course of some evidence given at Singapore, the other day, Dr. Fraser, the house surgeon at the General Hospital, stated that he and Dr. Ford, his assistant, each did 21 hours' duty at a stretch. There are 13 Sisters and nurses in the Hospital, and 200 beds.

LIQUOR WITHOUT LICENCE.—On the 28th ultimo, Inspector Dymond arrested the occupier of No. 12 Belcher Street for selling samshu without a licence. Mr. Harston appeared for the defence. After a lengthy hearing Mr. Kemp fined the defendant in the sum of \$300, or three months. The fine was paid.

FURIOUS DRIVING.—Mr. Lacock, manager of the Day View Hotel, charged the owner of a truck (the licensee of stalls Nos. 115 and 117 Central Market) with driving recklessly on the 7th inst., along the Shaikwan Road. He was fined \$15. It is reported that a civil action is being taken by the complainant against the defendant for killing a fox terrier by running the truck over it.

IMPROVED CONDITIONS IN KWANG-TUNG.—The reb is at Ching Lien, Kwangtung, are on verge of disbandment. Many of the leaders have surrendered and others have been killed by the troops. No danger is anticipated by the authorities in the immediate future. Prospects in Kwangtung are more hopeful than in less fortunate neighbour, Kwangsi.

AHEM! Mr. Booth, the correspondent of the *New York Herald*, has arrived at Calcutta on a journey round the world. He says that he was imprisoned in Turkey; detained by brigands in China, and ransomed for five thousand dollars; wounded in the march of the Allies to Peking; laid low for three months by sickness in Siberia; and has thoroughly explored China, Japan, Siberia, Borneo, and Burma.

TEA DUTY. The *Sin Wen Pao* says that Sir Robert Hart, Inspector General of the Chinese Customs, in accordance with the request of the Board of Treasury, has decided that the export duty on tea was lessened, those merchants who had paid the regular duty before the 1st of the sixth moon are to be refunded of what is over the present duty. Of course this refers only to tea of the present season.

RUSSIA AND CHINA. The *Tung Wen Pao* hears from Peking that the *Wai Wei Pao* recently received a despatch from the Chinese Minister at St. Petersburg stating that the Russian Government had consented to withdraw from the south-western region of Fung Tien about the middle of September and as the railways outside the Great Wall will be required to transport the Russian soldiers back, they will not be returned to China till later on.

THE NORTHERN RAILWAYS. The Tientsin *Jiji* speaking of the Railways in North China says: Great Britain refuses to hand back the railways on this side of the Great Wall until Russia agrees to restore those on the other side of it. But whenever the Russian Minister is approached by H.E. Hu Yufen with the question "when are you going to hand back to us our railways?" his invariably reply is "I am not in a position to tell you until I have heard from my Government."

THE WEIHAIWEI REGIMENT.—It is interesting to note that the Coronation party of the Chinese Regiment has not been quartered with the other Colonial troops at the Alexandra Palace in London. They are, or were, attached to the 1st Battalion Grenadier Guards at Wellington Barracks, and posted to the King's Company. On all regimental parades they march at the head of the Battalion, which is no mean compliment, considering that it is the senior Battalion of His Majesty's Foot Guards. People at home, and more especially the members of the Regiment which thus honours them, have been greatly impressed with these men. *P. S. T. Times*.

ALLEGED ATTEMPTED MURDER.

CHINAMAN SERIOUSLY INJURED.

Last night at 11.30 the police whistle sounded in the vicinity of the Central Station; the men turned out and heard the cries of "save life" coming from No. 51 Wellington Street. On going up to the first floor of Dart Loong's drapery shop, they discovered a Chinaman profusely bleeding with several cuts about the left temple cheek and arm. His assailant, a fook of the shop, was handed to the police by a Mr. Aaron Ellis, and the injured man was conveyed to the Government Civil Hospital. We understand that the quarrel was the outcome of some dispute arising from gambling and money matters. The case was formally called on this morning and remanded until the 18th instant.

HONGKONG COLLEGE OF MEDICINE FOR CHINESE.

SYLLABUS OF LECTURES.

The syllabus of lectures arranged for the session of the Hongkong College of Medicine for Chinese commencing on Monday, the 15th instant, comprises the following:—Physiology (Dr. Pearce), Chemistry and Toxicology (Mr. Browne), Pathology and Bacteriology (Dr. Hunter), Anatomy (Dr. MacLean Gibson), Osteology (Dr. MacLean Gibson and students), Surgery (Dr. Rennie), Materia Medica (Dr. Beringer), Tropical Diseases (Dr. Thomson), Botany (Mr. Tutcher), Practice of Medicine (Dr. R. Gibson) and Midwifery (Dr. Krieg). It is interesting to note that at present there are twenty students on the Roll of the College.

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CAMPBELL, MOORE AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The sixteenth ordinary annual meeting of shareholders in the above Company was held at the Company's office, No. 29 O'Brien's Road Central, yesterday afternoon. The report and statement of accounts have already appeared in these columns.

Those present were:—Mr. A. Furkera Arculli (Chairman), Messrs. V. P. Musso di Peralto, J. W. Osborne (directors), A. A. da Rosa, E. George, F. Smyth, A. G. Stokes, T. Arnold, Max Michael, A. O'D. Gourdin, and M. A. Souza (secretary).

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, the accounts have been in your hands for the last few days, and I beg to ask that they be taken as read. Under ordinary circumstances I would have been very pleased to meet you with a good report. On the present occasion the pleasure is denied me by circumstances which I will now lay before you. You are aware that our late secretary was attacked by plague on the very day of the meeting. Just year, and died a few days afterwards. Previous to this, viz., during the beginning of the year, he was ill and was absent off and on, his brother looking after the work for him. The books were not written up, as the man says he is too ill to do any active work, and when he recovered he had to close the previous year's account and the books were taken to audit, and it was during this period the defalcations occurred. I do not claim these circumstances as justification. I acknowledge that we have been amiss in our duty. We have been led astray by misplaced confidence. I do not try to escape the censure that the shareholders may choose to award. Although I have put down \$500 as directors' fees in the accounts, I personally do not think I deserve it and do not intend to draw it. My colleague can do as he pleases. As far as the defalcations are concerned I have nothing more to add, except to request that the shareholders will deal with the matter in a generous spirit, but if any gentleman has any question to ask I shall be pleased to explain them in the best manner possible, before asking the adoption of the report. After that I shall submit a proposal for the better management of the concern.

The Chairman then read three letters which he requested should not be published. They related to the conduct of the business and in one of them Mr. Gourdin, the auditor, besides submitting proposals for the better management of the Company, made charges of insolence and incivility against the Secretary, Mr. Souza. With reference to this, Mr. Arculli said that he did not like it. He thought that Mr. Gourdin was entitled to every courtesy and assistance in the prosecution of his labours as auditor of the concern. Five shares which had lately stood in the name of the late secretary, Mr. Leon, regarding which a point was raised in the correspondence, the Chairman said Mr. Osborne could bear him out when he said that these shares now belonged to him, as he bought over from Mr. Leon fifteen shares for the purpose of always being able to form a quorum. The meetings at that time were not so well attended as now, and the step was considered advisable. Mr. Gourdin's proposals for the future working of the concern he considered excellent, and if Mr. Gourdin were willing to accept the amount and undertake the responsibility, he thought that a salary of \$500 a year might be paid him to put into practice the suggestions embodied in his letter. That amount could come out of the directors' fees.

Mr. Osborne—Excuse me, you are apportioning away the fees of the other directors, and—

The Chairman—Well, this is my view; afterwards you can express your view.

Mr. Osborne—That's your view, is it?

The Chairman then proposed the passing of the accounts.

Mr. Arnold—Before you put the resolution to the meeting, I should like to say that I think Mr. Gourdin has made some very valuable suggestions, and instead of being thwarted in everything he does, the secretary should render him every possible assistance in going into the accounts; the auditor is the representative of the general body of shareholders. With regard to paying Mr. Gourdin \$500 a year to audit the accounts monthly, I think, whatever the directors' view may be, it would be money well spent.

In reply to questions, the Chairman said that outstanding debts to the amount of about \$4,800 had been collected, and that about \$1,000 was still outstanding since 31st December of last year.

Mr. Smyth—Bad debts?

The Chairman—Well, I don't think we can call them bad debts. A solicitor's letter will very likely make them pay up.

Mr. Arnold—Then why not issue a solicitor's letter before this?

The Chairman—We did not want to proceed to extremities, but seeing that the shareholders were for that we arranged it about two months ago.

Mr. Smyth—Are these debts incurred in the ordinary course of business here—shaving, hairdressing, and so on?

The Chairman—Yes, and some are for stores purchased.

Mr. Smyth—Do these debts still support the store—are they still given credit?

The Chairman—No, mostly not, the secretary says. Altogether our outstanding account has not increased; it has decreased.

Mr. Smyth—What portion of that \$2,000 outstanding since 31st December may we regard as bad debts?

The Chairman—I think 10 per cent.

Mr. Smyth—\$200. And \$1,800 we may expect to recover?

The Chairman—Yes.

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Mr. George—Are the books now properly written up, or are things allowed to drag on in the old way?

Mr. Osborne—A new set of books has been procured, and the books have been written up to date. At the end of the year we shall be in a position to give better satisfaction than we have given to-day.

Mr. da Rosa seconded.

Mr. Arnold—In your opening remarks you asked the shareholders to take a generous view of the matter. What did you mean?

The Chairman—Well, as I have said, we made some mistakes, but we did not make them wilfully, and I hope that the shareholders will take a liberal view of the matter.

Mr. Arnold—No doubt there has been a lack of supervision in the past, but as the directors acknowledge their shortcomings I think the shareholders might take a liberal view of the matter and pass the accounts. I would make one suggestion, however, and that is that in view of the great trouble Mr. Gourdin has had in auditing these accounts \$75 is not sufficient, and I suggest that it be made \$200.

The Chairman—Well, I consider myself that I have not earned my \$500; and don't you think we could give that to Mr. Gourdin and let the account stand as it is?

Mr. Arnold—Well, that is very generous.

It was agreed, on the proposal of Mr. Musso, to pay Mr. Gourdin \$125 and to hand the balance, \$75, to the Chairman.

Mr. Arnold—Are we to understand that Mr. Gourdin's suggestions will be carried out?

The Chairman—I believe he is quite willing; he signified his assent to me yesterday.

The motion for the adoption of the accounts as presented was put to the meeting and carried without dissent.

The confirmation of the appointment as a director of Mr. Musso was moved by Mr. Michael.

Mr. Arnold asked why the directors should be increased beyond the present number, two.

The Chairman—Well, sometimes I am on one side and Mr. Osborne is on the other, so I thought that if we had one more it would be much better.

Mr. Arnold—But does this amount to an increase in the directors' fees?

The Chairman—Well, that depends on the other directors, and if they like they can state any reason why they think the remuneration is not sufficient.

Mr. George—As long as the directors' fees are not increased we have no objections to the appointment. But why not call an extraordinary general meeting and put the matter as a resolution to the shareholders?

The Chairman—What about, say, \$400 between three?

Mr. Osborne—No, I am not agreeable. I have known the time when the shareholders paid nothing to the directors, but there is no reason now why they should not pay. The company is in a position to pay its directors, and I see no reason why we should do the work for nothing. I like to be paid for my work.

Mr. Arnold—What you say is perfectly correct, but there is a deficit in the accounts of \$1,000.

Mr. Osborne—I am aware of the fact, but I don't think it is all the fault of the board of directors. I say, like the Chairman, that it is very generous and very nice of the shareholders to allow the accounts to be passed, but if you give us something with one hand I see no reason why you should take it away with the other.

After further discussion, Mr. Miller seconded the motion for the confirmation of the appointment.

The Chairman—Is there any objection to the election of Mr. Musso?

Mr. Osborne—Put the vote to the meeting and find out.

This the Chairman did, with the result that the motion was carried.

Mr. George—I have much pleasure in proposing the re-election of Mr. Gourdin as auditor, that he gets \$500 for his trouble, and that the accounts be audited monthly.

The Chairman—I beg to second that.

The motion was carried *unanimously*.

Mr. Osborne—The \$500, is that a portion of our—

The Chairman—It has nothing to do with you or me or anybody else.

Mr. George—The Company pays it.

Mr. Osborne—Oh, that's all right.

Mr. Arnold—Is it not possible to bring the accounts out earlier? It seems preposterous that for a small concern like this the accounts for 1901 only make their appearance towards the close of 1902. I beg to move that in future the accounts be published not later than 31st March in each year.

The Chairman—With the supervision and assistance of Mr. Gourdin, we shall, I hope, be able to place the accounts before you earlier in future.

Mr. Osborne—Don't you think it would be better to put that as a resolution?

Mr. Arnold—I don't think it is necessary.

The meeting then terminated.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE.

English (*Valencia*) 13th inst.

American (*America*) 13th inst.

German (*Princess Irene*) 16th inst.

German (*Princess*) 17th inst.

Canadian (*Albatross*) 23rd inst.

American (*Albatross*) 28th inst.

American (*Taiwan*) 28th inst.

Canadian (*Empress of China*) 30th inst.

American (*Galle*) 1st prox.

The Imperial German Mail steamer *Princess Irene* left Kobe, via Nagasaki and Shanghai on Tuesday a.m. the 9th inst., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday the 16th inst.

The T. K. K's steamer *America Maria* with mails &c. left Nagasaki yesterday, the 9th inst., at 10 a.m. for Manila she is due there on Saturday the 13th inst., at 2 p.m.

The American Mail has been forwarded to this port per *Princess Irene*.

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TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's)

German Warship Sinks Haytian Gunboat.

London, September 8th.
A German warship lying in the roadstead of Gonaives, Hayti, has sunk the Haytian gunboat *Creta Pierrot*, which recently confiscated the cargo of arms and munitions of war on board a German steamer off Cape Haytien.

LATER.

The Sinking of a Haytian Gunboat.

The German warship, *Panther*, gave the *Creta Pierrot* five minutes in which to land her crew, but the commander demanded fifteen minutes, which was allowed. The moment the crew left, flames burst out on the ship, and the *Panther* thereupon fired thirty shots, sinking her.

The *Creta Pierrot* was actually a Haytian gunboat, but she had joined forces with the rebel pretender Firman, and the *Panther* treated her as a pirate, acting under orders from Berlin.

The Haytians in leaving the *Creta Pierrot*, prepared for the explosion of the ship's powder magazine.

The action of the German warship is not regarded at Washington as a violation of the Monroe doctrine.

Sharp Fight with a Slave Dhow.

A boat party from H. M. S. *Lafayette* had a serious fight with a slave dhow in the Persian Gulf. A blue-jacket was killed and several wounded.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

STREET ARABS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."
SIR,—I beg to draw the attention of the authorities through the medium of your columns to the fact that persons driving in the vicinity of the Polo Ground, are pestered by dirty little street arabs. These urchins follow the rich as turning somersaults and "cart wheels" as they go, and if their demand for "cumbshaw" is not complied with, they promptly throw mud and stones at the unwilling audience. I hope this letter may lead to measures being taken to bring this nuisance to an end.

Yours faithfully,
A. RITCHIE.
39, Des Voeux Road.

THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LTD.

We have been requested to publish the following correspondence:—

Hongkong, 29th August, 1902.

The Acting Secretary,

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.
SIR,—I should feel much obliged by your laying before the Board the following facts:—

The minutes of the proceedings of the last general meeting issued to the shareholders by the Company seem to differ very materially from the reports given in the local press. Those discrepancies have called forth adverse comments from a great number of shareholders.

A letter which appeared in the *Hongkong Telegraph* newspaper on the 26th instant puts forth the various omissions very clearly, and as these are of considerable importance they seem to call for some explanation. The most important omission is that of a whole paragraph with which the Chairman ended his speech on the amendment, which is accurately reported in the *Hongkong Telegraph*, and which is distinctly remembered by those present at the meeting. I feel sure that the gentlemen of the Board will readily admit that such an omission from the official minutes may have an important bearing on the decision of absent shareholders, who, under the circumstances, would be entirely guided by the official records. It seems hardly possible that the omission can be due to inadvertence. Very probably it is due to too careful, though I cannot say judicious, editing of the notes taken down at the time. Be that as it may, I respectfully submit that as the rules and regulations of the Company make it imperative that a true and full record of the proceedings should be set forth in the Minute Book, I would humbly suggest that, at the earliest possible opportunity, amended minutes to include all omissions, be posted to all shareholders, in substitution of those originally sent out. In my humble opinion, such a course is most proper, and in the interest of all concerned, seems to be absolutely necessary.

I am,
Yours faithfully,
(Sd.) H. M. S. ESMAIL.

Hongkong, 8th September, 1902.

H. M. S. H. Esmail, Esq.
DEAR SIR,—Your letter dated 29th ult. was read to the Board at to-day's meeting, and I was directed to inform you in reply that, as the Directors unanimously approve of the minutes issued to shareholders as a correct record of the proceedings of the ordinary half-yearly meeting held on 18th ult., they regret being unable to entertain your suggestion to publish amended minutes to embody a few unimportant points which, while appearing in the *Hongkong Telegraph* report of the meeting, are not included in the official copy of the minutes.

I am, Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
(Sd.) C. A. CALDWELL,
Acting Secretary.

COTTAM & CO., FOR SUN BATS.

"THE POOR VERSUS THE RICH."

A DISPUTED ESTATE.

CASE AT THE SUPREME COURT.

At the Supreme Court this morning (10th) Lordship the Chief Justice, W. M. Goodman, commenced the hearing of an interesting dispute between Pan Leung and other plaintiffs, and Pan Kwok Chui, defendant.

Mr. M. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. d'Almada, appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. Morgan Phillips, acting on behalf of Mr. Sharp who is unwell, instructed by Mr. Harston, for the defendant.

According to the pleadings the plaintiffs who are sons of a certain Pan A. Fai, who died in 1876, were left by their father an estate, about which the present discussion has arisen. This estate, according to the father's will, was to come into the possession of the sons on their attaining the age of 18 years. In the meantime the defendant was appointed executor and as such obtained possession of property in Hongkong of over \$40,000 in value, though the defendant on his application for probate of the will, swore the value of the estate to be under \$6,000. The property consisted chiefly of Crown Leases of Inland Lots Nos. 239 and 280, the Kwong Yuen Compradore's shop in Jubilee Street, to which the testator was sole owner, and other property, including shares in shops, cargo boats, money, jewelry and personal effects. Out of this property, all that the plaintiffs received was a small allowance, prior to a release of the defendant from the testator's estate, and Inland Lot No. 239, which was afterwards sold for \$4,700. Regarding the release, the pleadings state that in April 1893 the defendant without disclosing to the plaintiffs the true value of the testator's property or his dealings therewith fraudulently induced the plaintiffs to execute a release, under their hands and seals, to him and from all claims, accounts, and demands of, or concerning, the estate of the testator. The defendant denies that the estate included any interest in cargo boats or jewelry excepting a watch, and also alleges that the estate was not of the value of \$40,000.

Mr. Morgan Phillips admitted that the release was an invalid document being drawn up and signed by the plaintiffs when under age. Then followed an application from Mr. Slade for certified accounts to be taken of the testator's estate, and he proceeded to show that the defendant had been appropriating the profits of a bakery, a valuable business, which for many years after the testator's death, held a contract to supply the Government gao. He carried on this business in the testator's establishment, and not a 'red cent' of the profits and, in fact, no accounts of the business were forthcoming though the establishment had been carried on in the deceased man's name.

A legal course of procedure, that Mr. Slade contended might make it possible for the defendant to cause endless delays, was then discussed, and Mr. Slade submitted that additional expense meant a great deal to the plaintiffs, the case being that of a poor man against a rich.

His Lordship then adjourned the case from 11.15 a.m. to noon to see if Counsel for the plaintiffs and defendant could facilitate matters by arranging what list of accounts were required, but when the Court resumed its sitting, no satisfactory results had been attained, so the case was proceeded with. The great point of discussion on the part of the defendant's Counsel was a refusal to accept his client in the light of a defaulting testator.

It was finally decided by the Chief Justice that accounts of the testator's property are to be taken, and the terms of the decree will be decided by His Lordship after considering the suggestions of both sides to-morrow afternoon. His Lordship also gave costs up till to-day in favour of the plaintiffs so far as the setting aside of the relief is concerned. The question of general costs was deferred.

KOWLOON BOWLING GREEN CLUB.

PRESIDENT'S PRIZE COMPETITION.

Since our last report of the President's Prize competition at the Kowloon Bowling Green, considerable progress has been made. On Friday evening the fourth round was completed, Mr. J. MacDonald defeating Mr. G. P. Lamont by 21 points to 17, and Mr. J. Kinross disposing of Mr. Petrie by 21 points to 11, thus leaving Messrs. J. MacDonald, A. W. Laverton, T. Robertson, and J. Kinross to meet in the semi-final. The draw resulted as follows:—

Mr. J. MacDonald v. Mr. T. Robertson.
Mr. J. Kinross v. Mr. A. Laverton.

Both ties were played off on Monday evening, and as was expected proved both close and interesting. Mr. J. MacDonald ousted his opponent at 21 points to 18, and Mr. Laverton succeeded in disposing of Mr. Kinross by 21 points to 19. Both games were very exciting at the finish, especially the latter. Mr. Kinross lay two shots, the necessary number to give him the match, when Mr. Laverton placed his last ball so neatly as to end the match in his own favour. Mr. MacDonald and Mr. Laverton now play for the President's Cup, and a valuable second prize presented by Mr. A. Milroy, and the Jokers, Messrs. J. Kinross and T. Robertson play for a valuable third prize, presented by Mr. J. Walker. The silver cup, which is the first that has been played for since the institution of the Club, was the gift of Mr. W. Ramsay, superintending engineer to Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, who, we understand, intends retiring from the presidency at the end of the year. The cup is valued at \$80 and will be won outright. Both the ties mentioned are to be contested on Saturday afternoon.

COTTAM & CO., FOR GENT'S BATHING GEAR.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB AQUATIC SPORTS.

TO-MORROW'S PROGRAMME.

The Victoria Recreation Club's annual aquatic sports commence to-morrow afternoon at half past four and will be continued on Friday and Saturday. Should the weather prove favourable there is every reason to believe that the interesting list of fixtures will attract a large gathering of Hongkongites to the Kowloon side, where every preparation has been made for their convenience. There are six competitions to be acceded to-morrow, and from the list of entries it is very evident there are going to be some tough tussles.

To-morrow's programme is as follows:—

1.—4.30 p.m.—Half Mile Championship of the Colony. Open to all Competers. 1st Prize Presented by H. E. Major-General Sir W. Gascoigne, K.C.M.G. 2nd Prize Presented by Messrs. H. Price and Co.

1. M. A. Raack	7. A. V. Barros
2. Sapper J. Leiper	8. J. M. Roza Pereira
3. H. S. Holmes	9. N. H. Alves
4. W. Schumacher	10. A. Humphreys
5. C. M. S. Alves	11. F. K. Tata
6. F. M. Roza Pereira	12. J. H. R. Hance

2.—5 p.m. Veterans' race two Lengths (Handicap) Open to Competers over 30 years of age. 1st Prize Presented by Commodore Robinson, R.N. 2nd Prize Presented by...

1. A. M. Roza Pereira	"Go"
2. R. H. Mitchell	"Go"
3. M. J. Leiper	"Go"
4. F. W. White	"Go"

3.—5.15 p.m. Hurdling 1st Prize Presented by R. H. Mitchell, Esq. 2nd Prize Presented by...

1. M. A. Raack	8. A. V. Barros
2. A. Lourenco	9. J. M. Roza Pereira
3. A. M. Soares	10. N. H. Alves
4. H. S. Holmes	11. A. Humphreys
5. W. Schumacher	12. F. K. Tata
6. C. M. S. Alves	13. J. H. R. Hance
7. F. M. Roza Pereira	

4.—5.45 p.m. Four Lengths (Handicap) 1st Prize Presented by J. M. Roza Pereira. 2nd Prize Presented by...

1. G. H. Rubin	"Go"
2. M. A. Raack	"Go"
3. F. D. Bain	"Go"
4. C. M. S. Alves	"Go"
5. F. M. Roza Pereira	"Go"
6. A. V. Barros	"Go"
7. A. Humphreys	"Go"
8. J. H. R. Hance	"Go"

5.—6 p.m. Four Lengths (Army, Navy, and Police) Post entries allowed, Non Members' Two Prizes.

1. Sapper J. Leiper	"Go"
2. Lane-Corp. A. Baker, R.A.M.C.	"Go"

6.—6.15 p.m. Two Lengths (Handicap) 1st Prize Presented by W. D. Dixon, Esq. 2nd Prize Presented by...

1. G. H. Rubin	"Go"
2. W. T. Andrew	Owes 3 Sers.
3. M. A. Raack	"Go"
4. C. M. S. Alves	"Go"
5. A. V. Barros	"Go"
6. N. H. Alves	"Go"
7. O. R. Chunyut	"Go"
8. A. J. Mackie	Owes 6 Sers.
9. F. K. Tata	"Go"
10. F. D. Bain	"Go"
11. F. M. Roza Pereira	"Go"
12. A. Humphreys	"Go"
13. H. S. Holmes	"Go"
14. W. Schumacher	Owes 7 Sers.
15. A. M. Soares	"Go"
16. J. R. Hance	"Go"
17. J. M. Roza Pereira	"Go"
18. A. V. Barros	"Go"

Championship.—A Special Prize will be awarded to the Winner of most points in non-handicap events. Presented by Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G. (Chairman of the Club).

1st Place mark	10 Points.
2nd Place mark	4 Points.
3rd Place mark	1 Point.

N.B.—1. No Competitor will be allowed to take more than Two First Prizes or Three in all during the three days.

2. All Races, Diving, etc. will be decided by the Umpires.

3. Excellence in Diving consists in: Form, Distance, Entry and Recovery.

4. No Second Prize will be given unless Five competitors start.

5. Three competitors to start or no race.

The officials are:—President.—H. E. Sir Henry A. Blake, G.C.M.G.

Chairman.—Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G.

Committee.—Messrs. W. Armstrong, Geo. A. Caldwell, W. A. Crake, A. Denison, W. S. Bailey, E. M. Hazeland, H. W. B. Kennett, M. McIver, and T. H. Reid.

Hon. Treasurer.—Mr. R. H. Mitchell.

Hon. Secretary.—Mr. Frank W. White.

Umpires.—Messrs. W. A. Crake and E. M. Hazeland.

Referee.—Mr. R. H. Mitchell.

Starter.—Mr. H. W. B. Kennett.

Handicappers.—Messrs. M. McIver and M. A. A. Souza.

Official Timekeeper.—Mr. W. Orchard.

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17. J. M. Roza Pereira	"Go"
18. A. V. Barros	"Go"

Championship.—A Special Prize will be awarded to the Winner of most points in non-handicap events. Presented by Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G. (Chairman of the Club).

1st Place mark, 10 Points.
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2. All Races, Diving, etc. will be decided by the Umpires.

3. Excellence in Diving consists in: Form, Distance, Entry and Recovery.

4. No Second Prize will be given unless Five competitors start.

5. Three competitors to start or no race.

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CORONATION NAVAL REVIEW.

THE NIGHT CARNIVAL.

In continuation of the article on the Coronation celebrations, which appeared in our edition last evening, we give the following:—

THE REVIEW.

Portsmouth, Aug. 16.—The King completed the programme of the Coronation festivities to-day reviewing the fleet for the first time since his accession. From a spectacular point of view the assemblage of a hundred and odd war vessels in the roads lead off Spithead was a magnificent show.

The display represented merely the home fleet, not a single vessel having been withdrawn from a foreign station to participate in the pageant. The day opened fine. There was an immense influx of visitors. The waters of the Solent were covered with pleasure craft of every variety from the tiny canoe to the big excursion steamer, and every vantage point on shore was covered with spectators.

At 8 a.m., in response to a signal, the fleet broke out flags, and in the space of a minute the lines of black hulls were transformed into parti-colored lines of fluttering bunting. Simultaneously the pennant of Admiral Sir Charles Hotham, the Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth, was flung out from the peak of the *Sovereign*, which to-day acted as FLAGSHIP OF THE FLEET.

Five other Admirals' flags were also in view in different sections of the parade. The five lines in which the fleet was moored were located midway between the Isle of Wight and the mainland. Nearest to the Portsmouth shore were the special service vessels and yachts and a few distinguished visiting vessels headed by the conspicuous white hull of the Japanese torpedo-boat destroyer *Asashio*. The next line was made up of 32 British torpedo-boat destroyers and then there was a line of cruisers and gun boats; then a double line of battleships, and finally another line of cruisers.

Another parallel line, nearest to the Isle of Wight, was made up of FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR, including two Japanese cruisers, the *Assama* and *Takasago*; the Italian armored cruiser *Carle Alberto*, and the Portuguese cruiser *Pon Carlos*. The precaution had been taken to compel all vessels present to burn smokeless coal but as the day advanced a haze spread.

At 12.30 p.m. the lines of the fleet closed, the guard boats drove all unauthorised craft out of the forbidden area, and promptly at 2 o'clock the Royal yacht *Victoria and Albert*, with the King and Queen and other Royal personages on board, slowly got under weigh. This movement was signalled by a gunshot from the *Royal Sovereign*, and thousands of a kies swarmed over the decks, superstructures and fighting tops and manned ship in honour of

THE APPROACHING MAJESTIES.

Then came the firing of the Royal salute of 21 guns. Amid the crash of naval ordnance the King's yacht moved slowly eastward, accompanied by the Royal yachts *Osborne* and *Alberta* and three others and escorted by a flotilla of torpedo-boat destroyers.

The King, who wore the uniform of an Admiral of the fleet, was surrounded by a brilliant staff. As His Majesty passed each ship the officers and men cheered, and when the *Victoria and Albert*, after traversing the lines, took up fresh moorings abreast of the *Royal Sovereign*, the whole fleet joined in a final roar of cheers for the King, who then personally signalled an invitation to all the flag officers, including those of the foreign ships, to join him in the Royal yacht over the water, and scurrying small craft frequently disappeared in banks of mist.

NEARLY A FIASCO.

Portsmouth, August 16.—Thousands of persons who were expectantly awaiting the illumination of the fleet off Spithead to-night, not only were disappointed, but were drenched and bedraggled by a thunderstorm and rainfall of almost phenomenal suddenness and violence.

The storm broke just as the signal for the illumination was given, and the crowds afloat and ashore stampeded for shelter. There was no lingering to await the possibility of the lifting of the shroud of mist, the darkness of which enveloped the ships and shores, preventing a sight of the spectacle, and the carnival shortly afterwards was abandoned.

A great majority of the sight-seers were in the vicinity of Southsea Common, and far from available shelter. They returned to the deluged streets of Portsmouth in a pitiable plight. The illuminative decorations of the Town Hall and in that vicinity, consisting largely of balloons, were quickly ruined by rain and the wind, which blew half a gale.

The storm continued for an hour. After that the night was fair, and the illuminations were carried out, and were witnessed by the thousands who reappeared upon the shore.

A rocket was sent up from the Royal yacht, and a moment later the dim outline of the yacht burst out in

THOUSANDS OF INCANDESCENT LIGHTS.

This was the signal for hundreds of other ships, and, as if by magic, the entire fleet was illuminated in a great blaze of light. The sudden change from dusky shadows of battleships to one of electric brilliancy, had a startling effect on the crowds, and they manifested their delight by rounds of cheers. The lines of the funnels, masts, and upper-decks of the ships were outlined in mellow, glowing lines, and the flag-ships by a clear, pale light, mast-high. The brilliant lights of the merchant ships and pleasure craft added to the splendor of the marine fête.

Simultaneously hundreds of public and private buildings ashore were illuminated, while an imposing display of fireworks, varied in colour and form, gave fresh interest to the carnival.

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After an hour's display, the incandescent bulbs on the ship were extinguished, and were succeeded by a gorgeous display of coloured search-lights, trained uniformly in various directions, and ending with rainbow effects, which were heightened by the clouds of steam exhausted from the funnels of the vessels.

The search-lights were still gleaming when the Royal salute was fired at midnight. Then all were extinguished, save that on the Royal yacht, which remained glittering.

CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
CANTON, 9th September.

Consul McWade left yesterday afternoon by the S. S. *Pearl*. He will be absent about three months. A large number of Chinese were on the boat to say good-bye and wish him a pleasant trip. During the absence of Consul McWade the Consulate will be in charge of Vice-Consul Langhorn.

MINES.

A few weeks ago the Shui Hau Kuk, Board of Reorganization, sent an official to the Yan Ping district to investigate some sections where gold was reported to have been discovered. This official seems to have satisfied himself that there is gold in sufficient quantities to pay, and bought several pieces of land. Men have been put to work and gold in small quantity has been found. Most of this land had been dug over by the residents before the official arrived. Now an order has been sent to the San Ning district calling upon the people to report all places in which any kind of gold is known to be. The official gave as a reason for this that the indemnity must be paid and the ordinary revenue is not sufficient.

FAMINE.

From several districts reports are coming in that rice has reached famine price. Among these districts are Yan Ping, Hok Shan and San Shui. The last two weeks of dry weather has injured the crop very much. In many places the plant has withered and died. If the dry weather continues much longer the rice crop on high ground will be a complete failure.

ROBBERY.

We have robbery all the time. Sometimes the robbers give us a little variety. Usually it is a passage boat or a shop. This time it is a temple. The priests on the White Cloud Mountains are known to be well supplied with the "filthy lucre." About the 1st of the month they are unusually well supplied. The robbers found this out, and a few days ago went up the mountain and carried away all the money and other valuables they could lay their hands on.

SEAFARING LAW.

"EMPRESS" MEN CHARGED.

An important point of seafaring law was submitted to the Police Court at Vancouver, the other day.

Upon complaint of Captain Pybus, ten seamen of the *Empress of Japan* were arraigned on a charge of disobeying lawful commands. On July 25th, while the steamer was en voyage the sailors were ordered to go below to shift some cargo, and they refused. This was the captain's story.

The accused put it that they declined to go to work on the ground that the captain would not agree to credit them with "overtime," which the articles entitled them to.

Captain Pybus interpreted overtime to mean when men are employed out of their regular hours. At the time this service was called for, there were indications of a typhoon, and he held that the men were bound to do anything to secure the safety of the ship.

The accused disputed this, declaring that the weather was fine.

The point raised for the

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